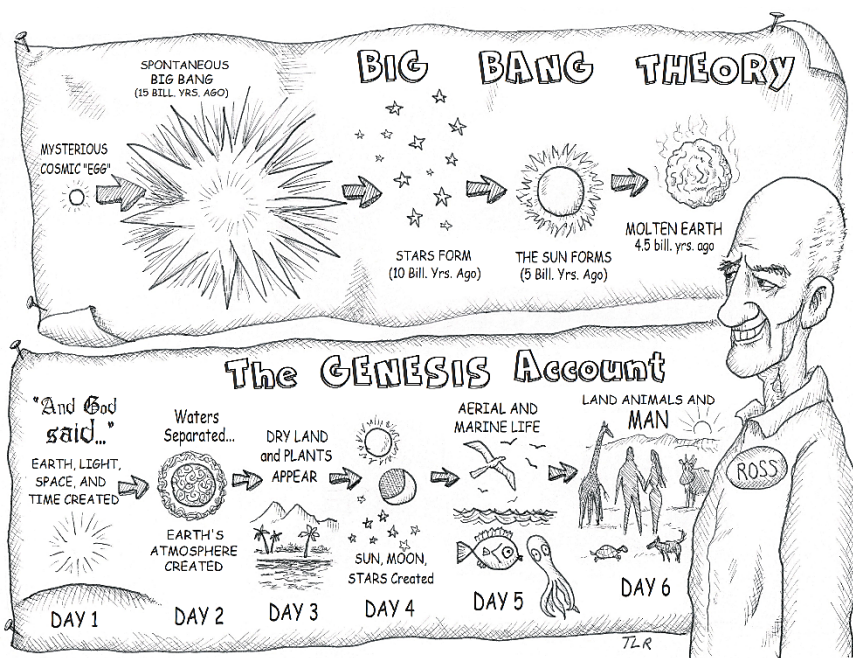


WAS THERE REALLY A BIG BANG?



NO CONTRADICTION?

Dr. Hugh Ross, on the Big Bang Theory: "The Bible taught it FIRST!"

"Avoid the irreverent babble and contradictions of what is falsely called "knowledge," for by professing it some have swerved from the faith."

—1Timothy 6:20-21 (ESV)

VALLEY GRACE BRETHREN CHURCH OF ARMACH, PA

FEBRUARY 25TH, AD 2024

The LORD'S Day

The Twenty-fifth Day of February, *in the Year of our Lord* 2024

Welcome to the worship services of Valley Grace Brethren Church!



Sunday School—9:30 AM.

Morning Worship—10:30 AM.

Call to Worship:* *“Love Lifted Me”* (#308; Chorus ONLY).

Invocation.*

Hymn: *“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”* (#37).

Prayer for Tithes & Offerings.

Scripture Reading: *Revelation 4:1-11*.

Prayer, Praises, & Testimony.

Hymn: *“All Creatures of our God and King”* (#12).

Announcemnts.

Hymn: *“How Big is God”* (#40).

Dismissal of Youth for Children’s Church.

Greeting One Another.

Message: *“GENESIS VS. THE BIG BANG THEORY.”*

Closing Hymn:* *“For the Beauty of the Earth”* (#36).

Benediction.*



Week of February 18 – February 24

Sunday School—5 Morning Worship—16

Midweek—4; Weekly Offering—\$386.⁰⁰

Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study—6:30 PM

**The Congregation will please arise, if able.*

AFRICA UPDATE

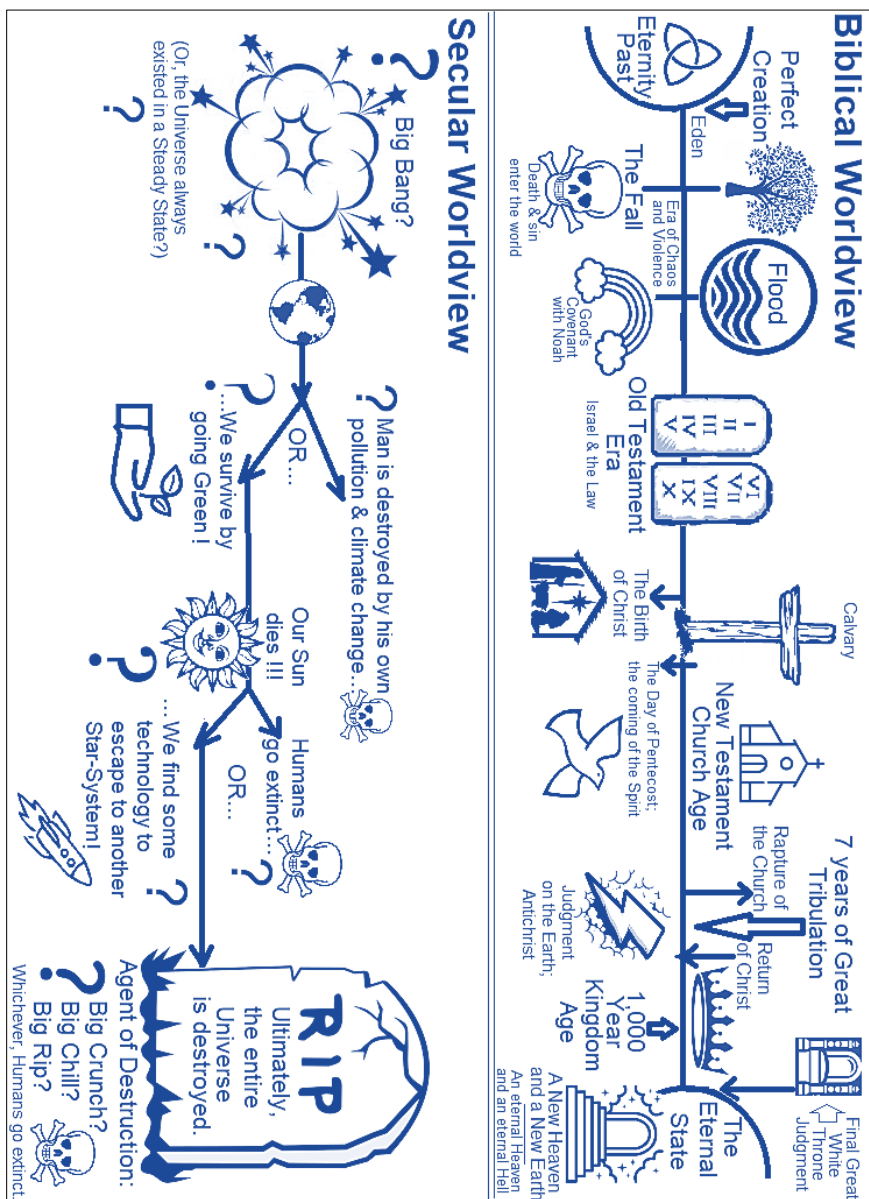
FROM: PASTOR KEITH MERRIMAN; DATELINE: FEB. 17, 2024

Dear beloved brethren,

Greetings in the Lord Jesus Christ. Thanks to all once again for your prayers and times you contacted us. Our trip was a whirlwind visiting 5 countries (Cameroon, Chad, Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania) over the 4 weeks we were in Africa. We had some harrowing experiences. We faced an unruly and terrifying mob one night in Yaounde. We also blew a tire and damaged two others in a plane landing on a dirt airstrip that was not on our itinerary. I believe it was your prayers that protected us.

The first thing I would like to ask you to do is to pray for our brothers and sisters in northwest Cameroon. The civil war between the Anglophones and Francophones (English speaking and French speaking) Separatists vs. Cameroon army continues into its eighth year! I was not really aware of how bad things still are there. I thought it had quieted down considerably. But after talking with six of our pastors from the northwest (Pastor Felix, Oliver, Alfred, Paul, Isaac and Johnson) things are still very bad. Shootings everyday. No electricity or water or school for 3 years!! They have not been able to travel to visit each other because of the danger. They risked their lives to come to Yaounde and see Daniel and myself. Two of the pastors were driving on a road to come to Yaounde to see us and the Separatists had set up a roadblock. They watched a man in his car try to drive around the roadblock and they watched him shot and killed in his car. They turned around and took another route! They say their crops have been only producing about 50% and most are subsistence farmers. Their life is very hard! Please, please pray that the Lord would bring peace this year 2024 to the northwest. I believe it will only happen if we pray fervently and persistently. I would hope we would all try to remember to pray for this request daily! The other thing I would like to do is raise funds to buy food for our brothers and sisters there. A 100 pound bag of rice is about \$56 and would feed a family of four for about 3 months when combined with other food. They also are in need of basics like palm oil, sugar, etc. I would like to request that we could help bring them relief in the month of March. If you would like to give to this need please mark your giving Emergency Relief food northwest Cameroon. Again, thanks for your daily prayers; we appreciated and needed them. God bless, Keith (PS: More updates coming)

The Bible's view vs. that of Naturalistic Secularism



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